to (d) The issue whether licence fee payable to Deptt. of Telecommunication for Basic Telephone services would be eligible for deduction in the computation of taxable income has been examined. Prima facie, such outlays will not qualify for deduction. It would be premature at this stage to give the possible revenue effect.

(e) In countries such as USA and Britain, the distinction between revenue expenditure and capital expenditure exists as in India.

Comprehensive Plan to Develop Tourism

166. SHRI ANANTRAY DE-VSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any comprehen sive plan to develop tourism sector during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the amount to be spent thereon State wise;

(c) whether any foreign and domestic private assistance is also being sought for this purpose; nnd

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir. The Department of Toruism has formulated a National Action Plan to develop tourism during the VHIth Five Year Plan.

(b) Central financial assistance sanc tioned for development of tourism in the States/UTs is shown in the enclosed statement *(see* below)

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The Government of India and the State Govts, have been encouraging foreign and domestic private investment in the tourism sector by an nouncing various concessions and incen tives. Hotel and Tourism related industry have already been declared a high priori ty area for foreign investment. For the period June 1991 *to* March, 1995, a total of 106 foreign investment/technical col laboration projects involving an amount 6f Rs. 1112 crOres have been approved.

Statement

Central Financial/Assistance Sanctioned and Released to the State Government/Union Territories during VUIth Five Year Plan, 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95.

(Rs. in lakhs)

States	1992-93		1993-94		1994-95	
	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1. Andhra Pradesh	9.51	7.23	114.28	48.15	171.99	73.00
2. Arunachal Pradesh	48.27	28.00	45.40	2X50	—	—
3. Assam	78.66	37.94	78.11	28.83	52.99	27.00
4. Bihar	54.41	26.33	9.75	4.95	103.10	24.00
5. Goa	42.71	22.76	78.82	37.83	76.74	32.65
6. Gujarat	20.90	8.00	65.76	35.48	14.50	7.50.
7. Haryana	104.97	49.50	226.76	44.70	173.98	*45-00
8. Himachal Pradesh	111.94	44.36	369.25	125.92	297.90	100.00
9. Jammu & Kashmir	152.75	73.69	236.19	88.38	143.47	61.25
10. Karnataka	184.66	112.22	177.44	58.53	229.96	104.50
11. Kerala	150.08	46.43	97.40	26.50	287.05	113.75
12. Madhya Pradesh	39.07	13.70	30.42	7.00	—	—
13. Maharashtra	201.30	88.69	309.11	86.57	207.39	52.19

States	1992-93		1993-91		1994-95	
	Amount Released	Amount Released	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
14. Manipur	66.24	34.38	45.50	23.35	—	—
15. Meghalaya	9.77	5.00	1.85	1.85	—	—
16. Mizoram	47.70	30.45	88.18	12.50	"56.49	28.50
17. Nagaland	7.17	6.50	16.66	8.00	23.08	11.00
18. Orissa	72.37	37.63	101.52	61.79	164.60	30.00
19. Punjab	135.83	42.50	111.21	49.86	113.93	45.50
20. Rajasthan	153.31	68.60	285.70	136.44	94.86	38.30 .
21. Sikkim	49.12	28.10	130.89	86.39	—	—
22. Tamil Nadu	107.42	46.10	402.45	196.89	132.45	46.50
23. Tripura	80.28	36.70	9.31	4.69	46.61	11.72
24. Uttar Pradesh	97.34	46.88	166.04	66.65	149.62	107.75 .
25. West Bengal	94.10	39.00	158.38	67.00	164.87	42.00
Union Territories						
1. Andaman & Nicobar	53.50	30.50	53.47	26.00	—	—
2. Chandigarh	13.70	4.25	18.66	8.64	21.38	8.11
3. Dadra & Nagar Haveli	—	—	—	—	23.62	4.00
4. Daman & Diu	28.50	28.50	12.03	7.50	44.29	11.45
5. Delhi	58.34	19.93	133.71	76.48	37.41	19.00
6. Lakshadweep	—	—	—'	—	19.95	10.00
7. Pondicherry	—	—	29.75	15.00	—	—
	2273.92	1063.87	3604.00	1465.37	2842.29	1054.67

Attempt by Pak to Malign the Image of India by T.V. Serials

167. SHRI. KRISHAN LAL SHAR-MA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan is malgning the image of India through its T.V. Serials after the burning down of Charar-e-Sharief shrine in Jammu and Kashmir State;

(b) whether Government have taken any counter-measures in this matter; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) AIR and Doordarshan have through their programmes in different formats endeavoured to:—

(i) bring out the futility of the goal of seccssionism as propagated by terrorist groups and the Government of Pakistan;

(ii) stress the legality and finality of the, accession of the state to India;

(iii) reflect the firm resolve of the country to defend Kashmir at all costs;

(iv) stress the affinity for secularism common to the Kashmiri culture and the rest of India as opposed to the strigent fundamentalist rhetoric resorted to by the Pakistani propoganda machinery.